

00560

1962/10/21

PRECEDENCE ACTION OP IMMEDIATE INFO OP IMMEDIATE FROM: JCS

TO: CINCAL
CINCLANT
CINCARIB
CINCONAD
USCINCEUR
CINCPAC
CINCSRIKE
CINONELM
CINSAC
DA
COFS USAF
CNO
CMC
JACE AJCC FT RITCHIE MD
JACE ARLOAT NORFOLK VA
JACE AIRBORNE ANDREWS AFB MD

348

FILE
MUTH-BUNDY
BEEK
BURNS
DAVIS
DUNGAN
FELDMAN
FOPRISTAL
HRSCH
JOHNSON
KAVETY
KLEINF
K...
L...
P...
P...
S...
S...
S...

Distribution:
CJCS (3)
DJS (3)
SJCS (1)
J-2 (1)
J-3 (1)
J-4 (1)
J-5 (1)
SECDEF (2)
White House (2)
State (1)

TOP SECRET JCS 6830 Exclusive for

SYMBOL CCJCS		SIGNATURE <i>M. J. Ingelido</i>	
TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if required) MAXWELL D. TAYLOR, Gen, USA		TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE M. J. INGELIDO Brig. Gen., USAF Secretary	
PHONE 79121	PAGE 1	NR. OF 3	
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION TOP SECRET			

JCS 6830 211814Z OCT 62

JFK, NSF
Cub, Calbo
10/16/62-10/21/62

Yes

10 403

"Declassified for Publication in Foreign Relations of the United States"

MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
STAFF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

TOP SECRET

addressees only from Taylor.

THIS IS A WARNING MESSAGE.

1. The President of the United States has under consideration the initiation of blockade operations against Cuba.
2. The reaction to these operations by Cuban military forces could lead to U.S. air strikes against Cuban armed forces, and invasion of the island of Cuba. Preparations for these contingencies are in progress. These subsequent actions, if initiated, would probably result in the use of force against Soviet military and civilian personnel in Cuba and would directly challenge the prestige of the Soviet Union. The reaction of the USSR cannot be predicted with accuracy.
3. It is imperative under the circumstances which could arise to present the strongest possible deterrent to any course of Soviet military action. The U.S. must demonstrate unequivocally that it is ready militarily to meet and to defeat retaliatory Soviet actions at whatever level is necessary. At the same time, we must avoid actions in other areas which may be considered provocative or which may create civil alarm.
4. At the time of the public announcement by the

ONE-3/6-

JCS 6830

320 FORM 1
1 JUN 57 35-4

TOP SECRET

REPRODUCTION
PROHIBITED

PAGE NR 2

"Declassified for Publication in
Foreign Relations of the United States"

CH 464

MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
STAFF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

TOP SECRET

CUI-103

President of the United States of the decision to initiate blockade operations DEFCON 3 level of readiness will be effected world-wide. It is expected that the announcement will be made on the evening of 22 October Washington time. The time of initiation of blockade operations will tentatively be 24 to 48 hours later.

5. Should the action taken against Cuba include air attack and invasion of Cuba, reinforcement capabilities for the European and Pacific commands, as reflected in the Joint Strategic Capabilities Plan, applicable for general war, may be delayed.

6. JCS desire all commanders to review applicable plans, and be prepared to report critical limitations to the conduct of general war operations in their respective areas.

7. The contents of this message are sensitive and must be closely held. Gp-3.

C-31 10 13 03

ACTION: DCSOP-3, CSAF-2, CNO-2, CMC-6

DISTR : CJCS-3, DJS-3, SJCS-1, J2-1, J3-1, J4-1, J5-1,
SEC DEF-2, WHITE HOUSE-2, STATE-1, CSA-3

JCS 6830

SCD FORM 35-4
1 JUN 57

TOP SECRET

REPRODUCTION
PROHIBITED

PAGE NR 3

"Declassified for Publication in
Foreign Relations of the United States"

CH-465